

## **Ward Notification**

## **Tucson Fire Department**





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## Ward 4 - Apartment Fire - 5400 Block of East 30th Street

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Dispatch Time – 0448 On-Scene Time – 0454 Under Control - 0502

Two dogs, one cat and a family of three have been displaced after fire started in a bedroom early this morning. A woman was awake and noticed the smoke filling the home. She woke her two sons and everyone evacuated immediately. Neighbors called 911 and everyone stayed outside. Firefighters arrived to find the family standing in the front yard with their cat. They told firefighters that the two dogs were in a bedroom adjacent from the fire with bedroom door shut. Firefighters searched the home, found the dogs in a room that had no smoke present, then located the bedroom fire and extinguished the flames very quickly. The dogs remained safe and no injuries occurred.

Red Cross was not needed. This family of three is staying elsewhere until repairs are completed and the utilities can be turned back on.

Damage estimate - \$25,000

Cause – Accidental – candle or electrical

Origin – Northwest corner bedroom

Safety message: A smoke detector was given to this family and they feel very fortunate that everyone is safe and that one person was awake to notice the fire. A working smoke detector is an early warning tool that every home should have. Without it, the smoke from a fire could put you into a deeper sleep, and you might not ever wake up.